The said report was concurred in, and the accompanying resolution assented to, and sent to the senate for concurrence.

Mr. Steuart, of Baltimore, submitted the following reso-

lution for consideration:

Resolved, That the general assembly of Maryland entertain a high sense of the gallantry of Henry E Ballard, a native of this state, and first lieutenant of the United States' frigate Constitution, in her memorable action with the British ships Cyane and Levant, during the late war, and also appreciate his distinguished activity and seamanship whilst in command of the Levant, after the capture of that ship.

Which was read the first, and, by a special order, the se-

cond time, and assented to.

On motion by Mr. Stevens, the word, "unanimously," was inserted after the word, "Resolved," and the said resolution, so amended, was sent to the senate for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson, the following message, offered by him for consideration, was twice read, agreed to, and, with the several resolutions therein referred to, was sent to the senate, viz.

By the House of Delegates, March 13, 1828.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

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We have returned to your honourable body, the resolution in favour of Mary Lewis, the resolution in favour of Jane Parran, the resolution in favour of Elizabeth Hudson, and the resolution in favour of Mary Ireland, believing they come within the rule adopted by the legislature, to extend pensions in certain cases, to the widows of revolutionary officers and soldiers, of the Maryland line, and respectfully ask their re-consideration, when we flatter ourselves you will pass them.

Mr. Boon, from the committee on grievances and courts of justice, reported a bill, entitled, An act concerning runaway servants; which was read the first time, and ordered to

lie on the table.

Mr. Boon, from a select committee, reported the following resolution; which was read the first time, and ordered to

lie on the table, viz.

Resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and required to cause the several laws of this state, relating to negroes and slaves, to be digested and published in a volume; and copies thereof delivered to the clerk of each county for distribution, in the same manner as the laws are annually delivered and distributed.

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